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EASLEY APPOINTS FOUR TO BUSINESS AND EDUCATION TECHNOLOGY ALLIANCE

RALEIGH – Gov. Mike Easley appointed **Patricia Adams** of Snow Hill, **Cindy Fertenbaugh** of Concord, **Nicole Pride** of Morrisville and **Larry Lancaster** of Fayetteville to the Business and Education Technology Alliance.

Adams has served on the Greene County Board of Education since 1994. She is a member of the North Carolina School Board Association Board of Directors. Adams studied Liberal Arts at North Carolina State University and is a graduate of the Education Policy Fellows program.

Fertenbaugh is an enterprise architect at I Solutions/Operations Solutions. She currently holds an elected position on the Cabarrus County Board of Education. Fertenbaugh attended Saint Mary's College and Notre Dame where she received a bachelor's degree in mathematics with minors in business/accounting and computer science.

Pride is a manager with International Business Machines. She has served the community by being an active member of North Carolina State Kenan Fellows Advisory Board, Teach for America Advisory Board, Wake Education Partnership and North Carolina Business Committee for Education. Pride received her bachelor's degree in both business management and economics from North Carolina State University and her master's degree in corporate and public communications from Seton Hall University.

Lancaster is a retired principal with the Cumberland County School System. He is president of the North Carolina School Board Association and a member of the Cumberland County Board of Education. Lancaster received his bachelor of science and his master's degree in education administration at East Carolina University.

The State Board of Education's Business and Education Technology Alliance ensures that the North Carolina School System has the proper technology to prepare a globally competitive workforce and citizenry for the 21st century. The alliance has 30 members. The Governor appoints four members.

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